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Our-of-equilibrium Spin systems with a Quantum Simulator

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The exponential beast: two rules of quantum mechanics

Rule # 1:

The Hilbert space scales exponentially.



Rule #2:

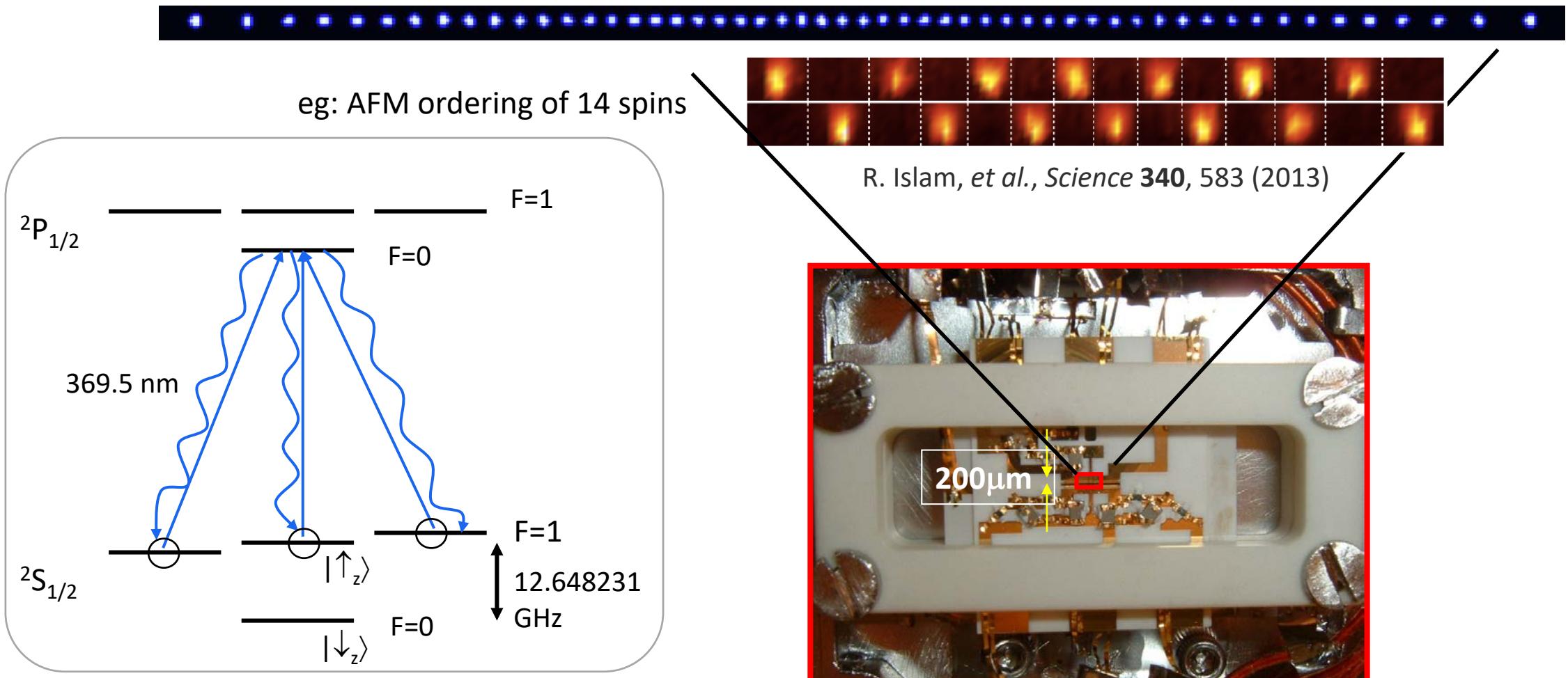
Rule #1 only works when you're not looking.



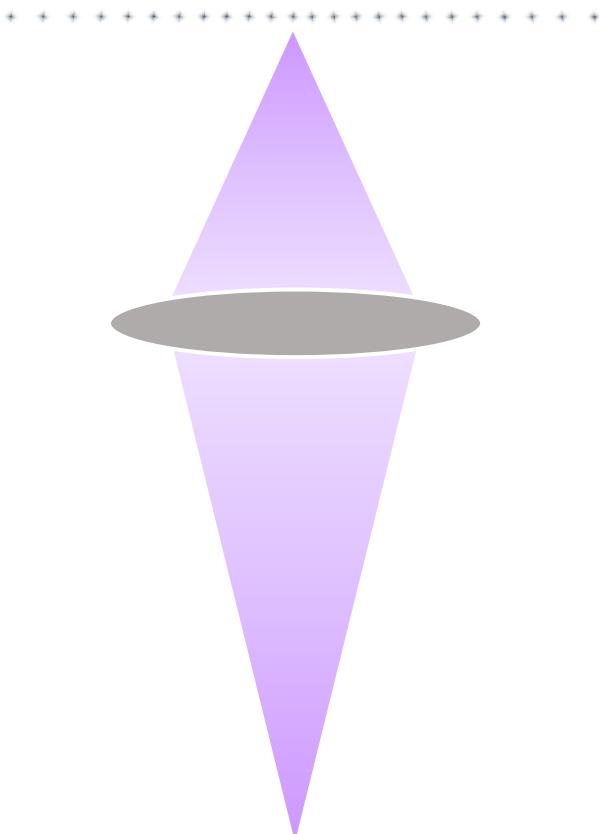
Niels Bohr:

“We are all agreed
that your theory is
crazy.” (1958)

$^{171}\text{Yb}^+$ hyperfine clock qubits.



Effective Hamiltonian: Global interactions and individual addressing



Transverse field Ising model

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + B \sum_i \sigma_i^z + \sum_i D_i \sigma_i^z$$

- Long-range Ising interactions from spin-dependent dipole forces
- Transverse fields by asymmetric detuning of force
- Individual local field via Stark shifts:

$$J_{ij} \approx \frac{J_0}{|i - j|^\alpha} \quad (0 < \alpha < 3) \\ J_0 \sim \text{kHz}$$

A. C. Lee, JZ, et al., Phys. Rev. A **94**, 042308 (2016)

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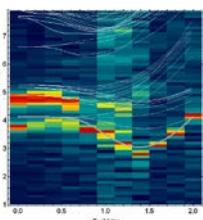
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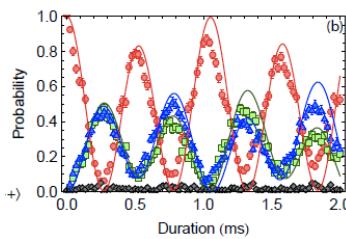
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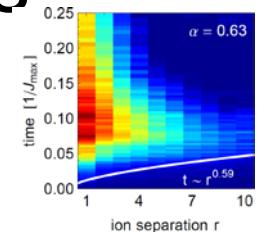
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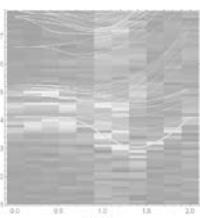
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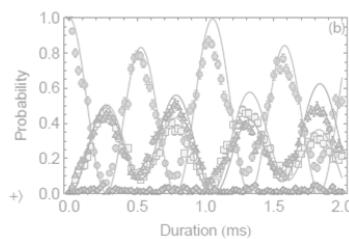
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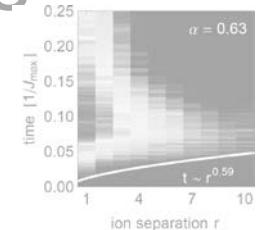
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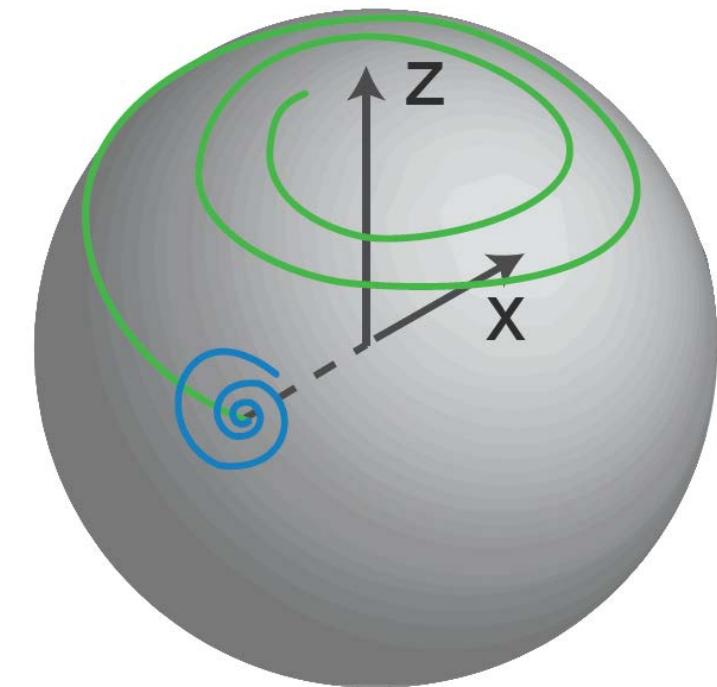
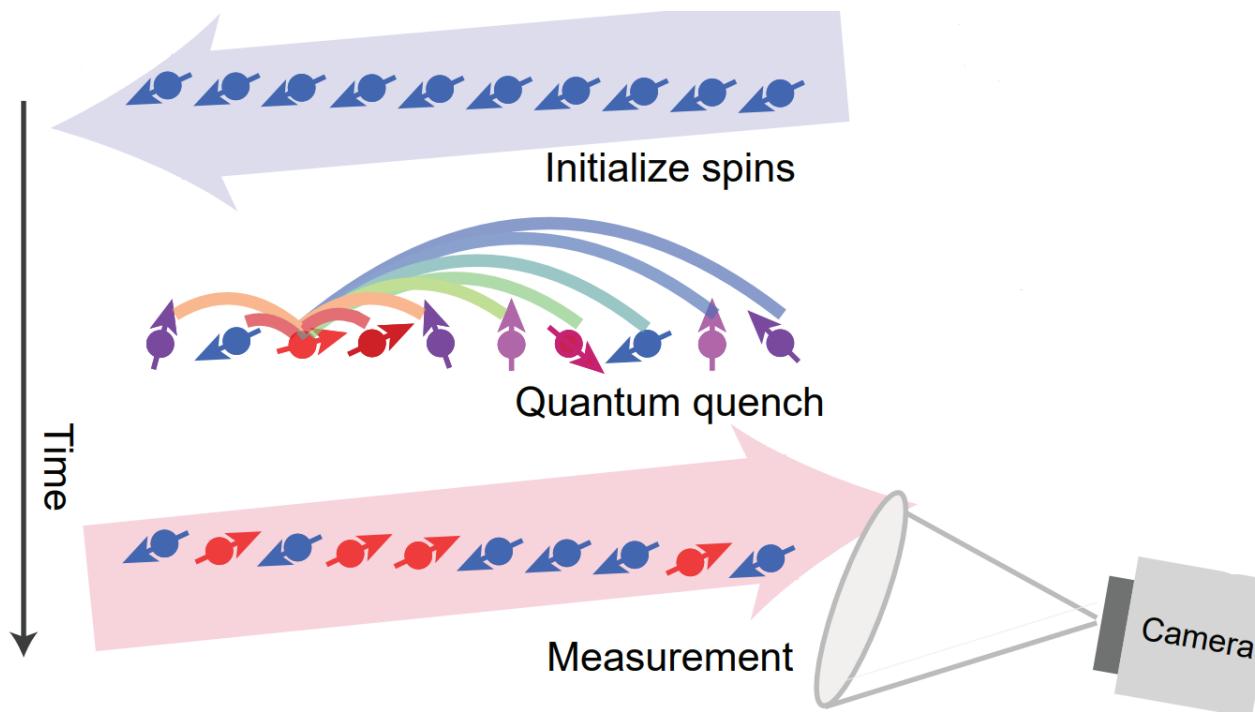
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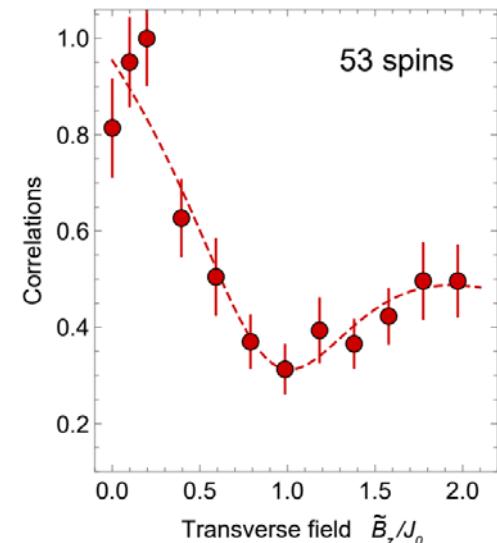
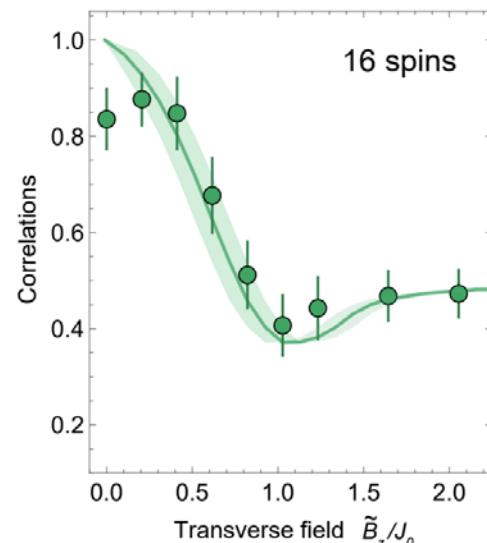
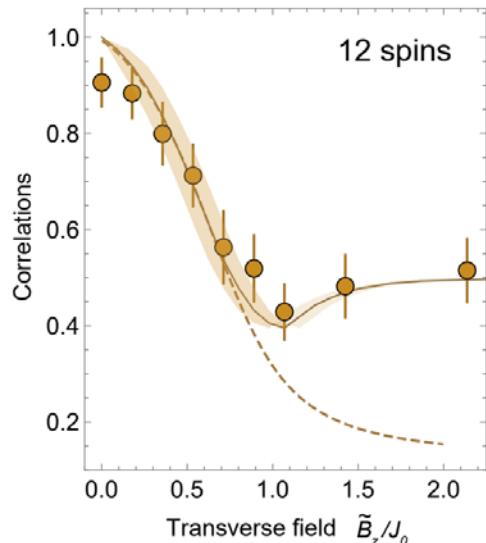
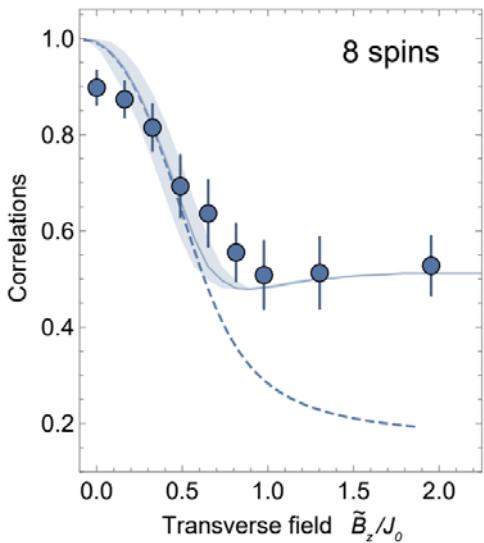


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Dynamical phase transitions: Second order correlations

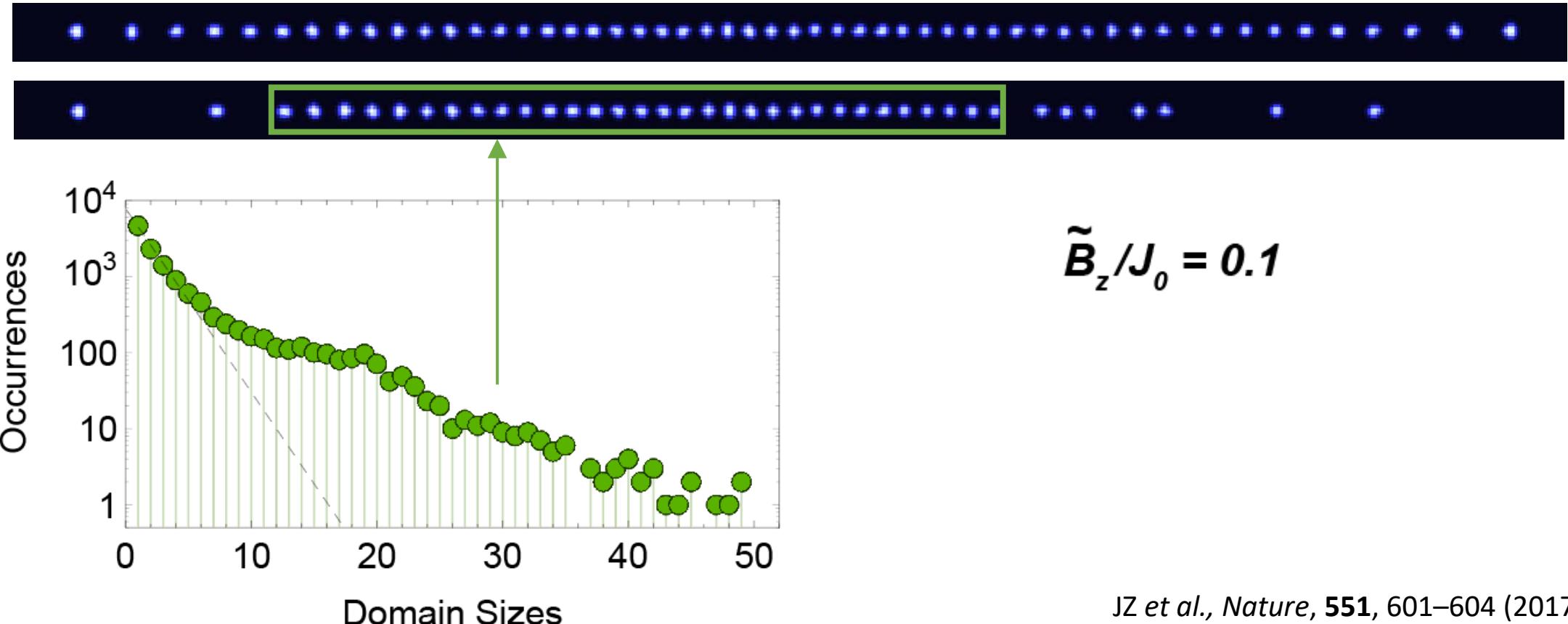
$$\frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i,j} \langle \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x \rangle$$

Evolution up to $(2\pi J_0)t \sim 5$
Interaction decay exponent
 $\alpha \approx 0.9$



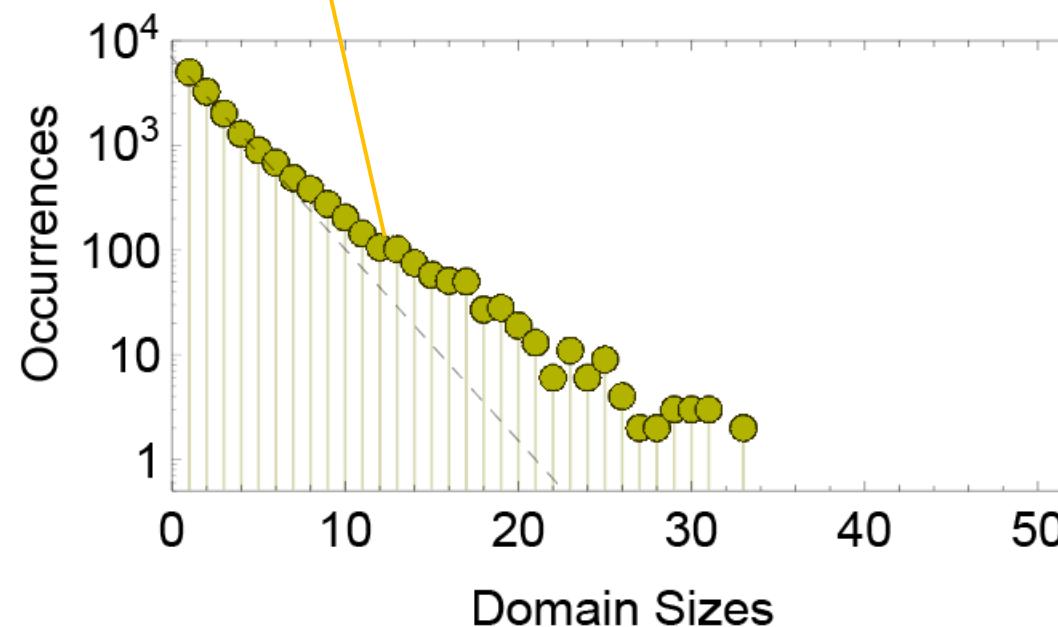
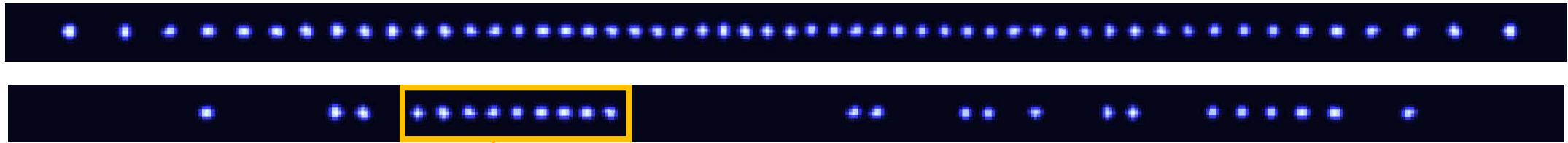
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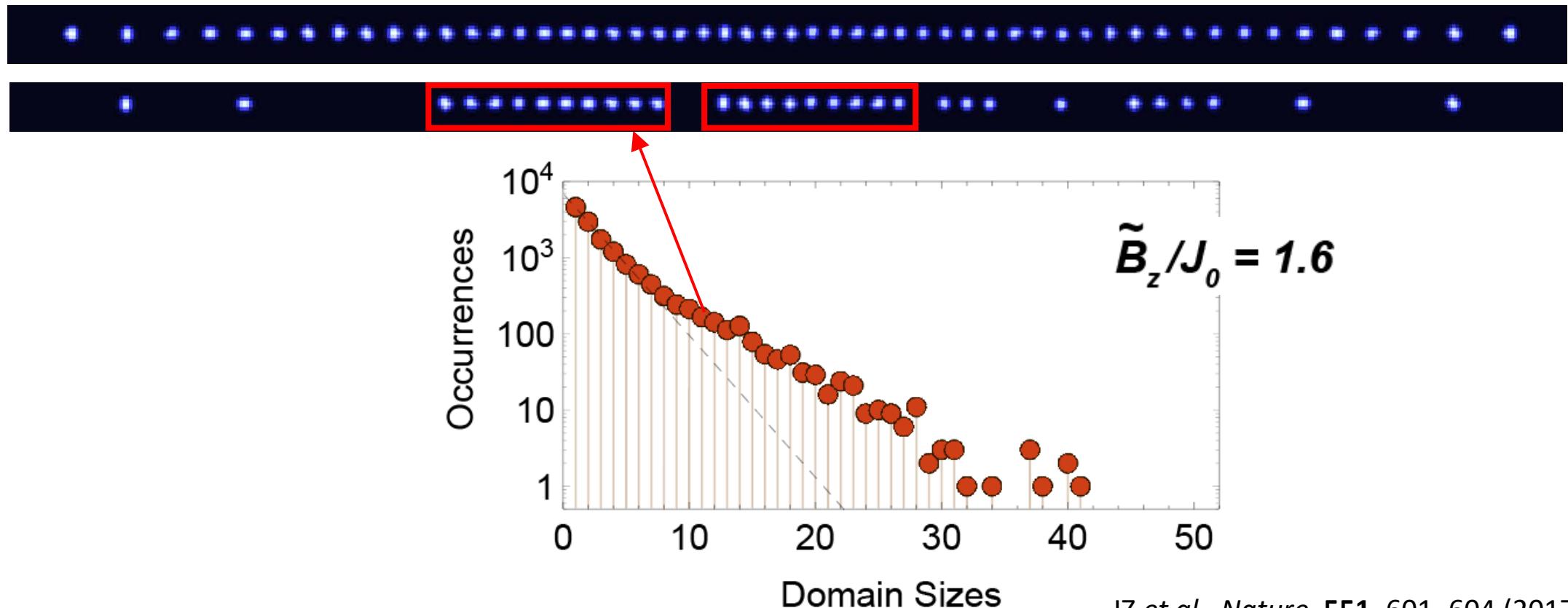


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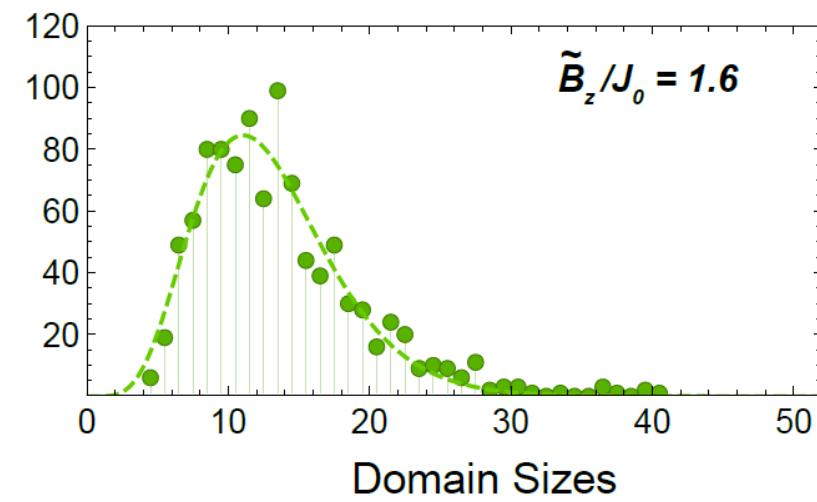
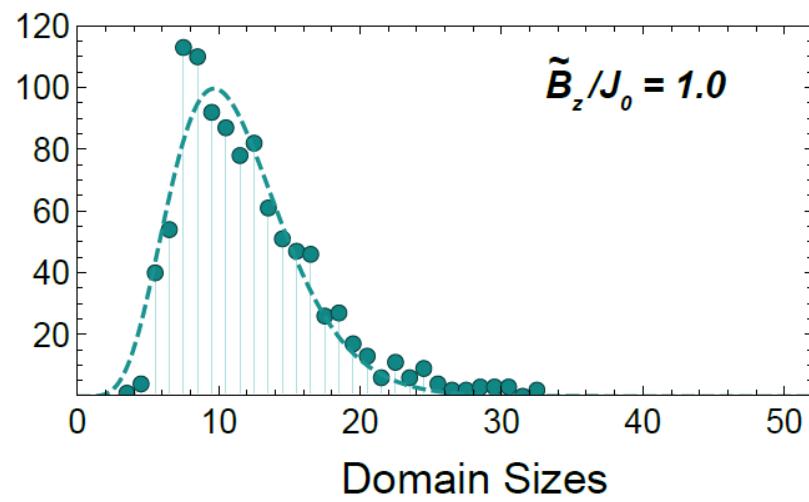
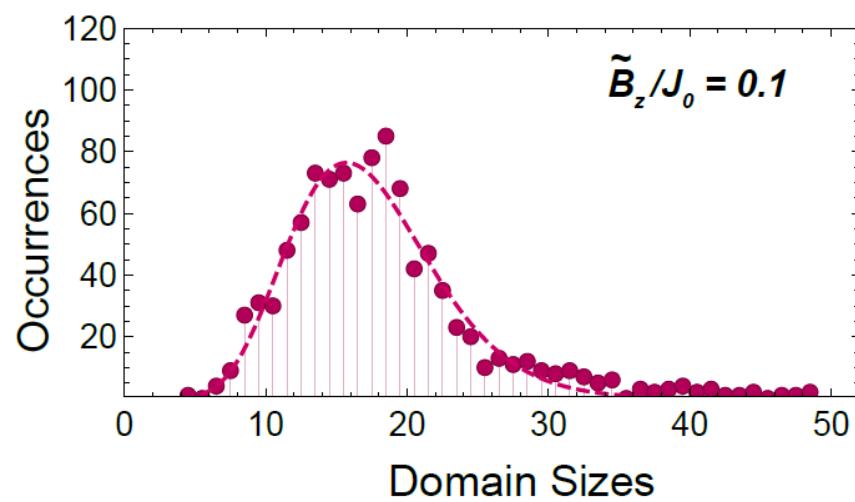
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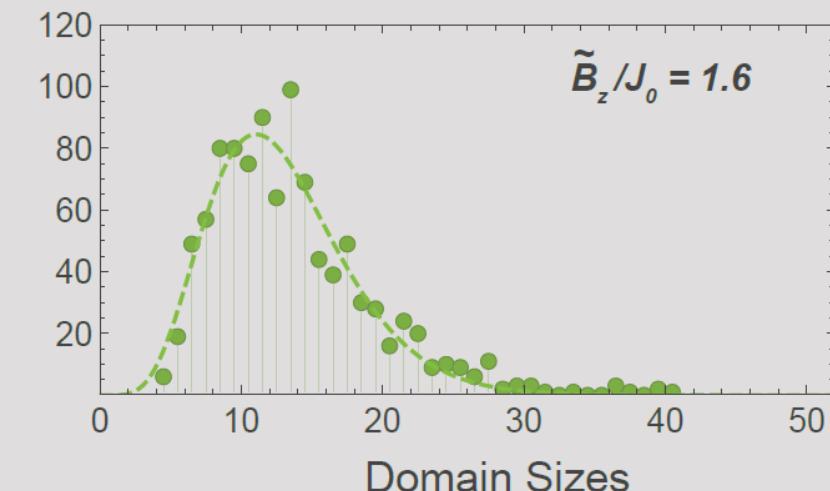
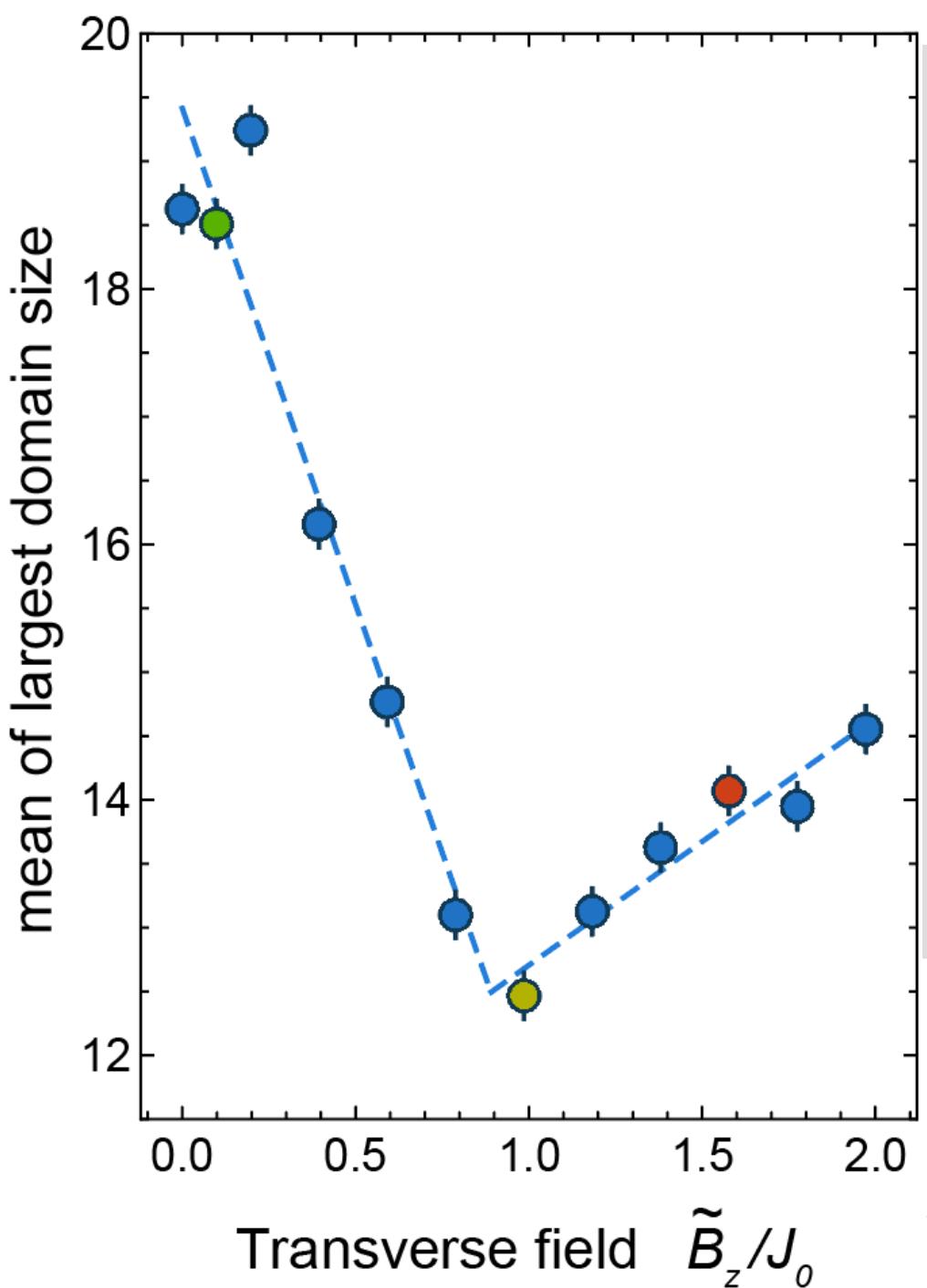
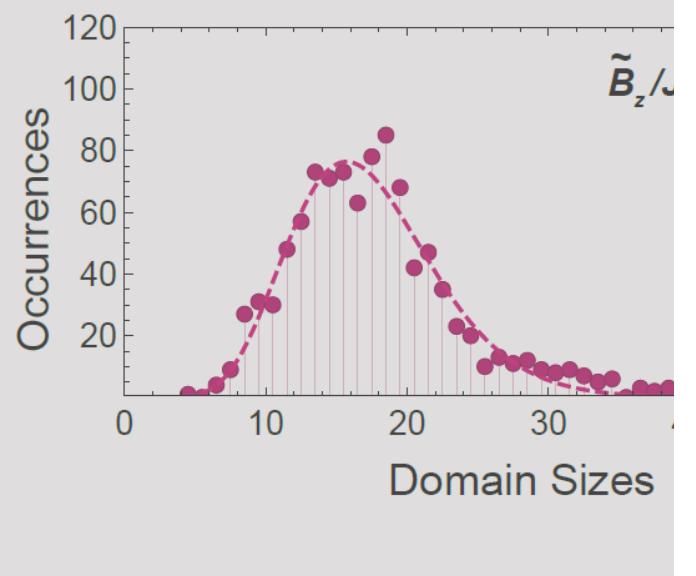


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Distribution of large domains

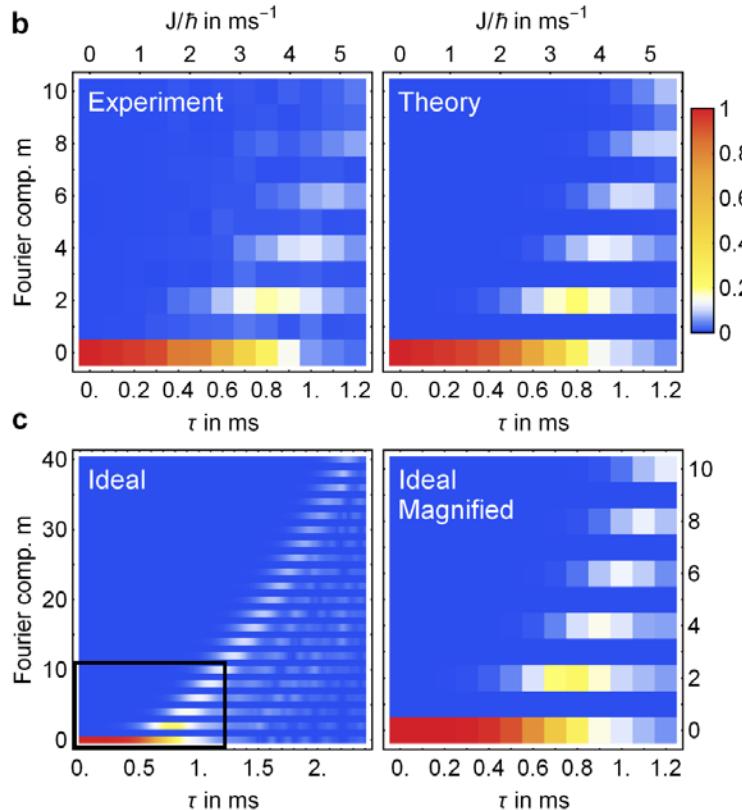


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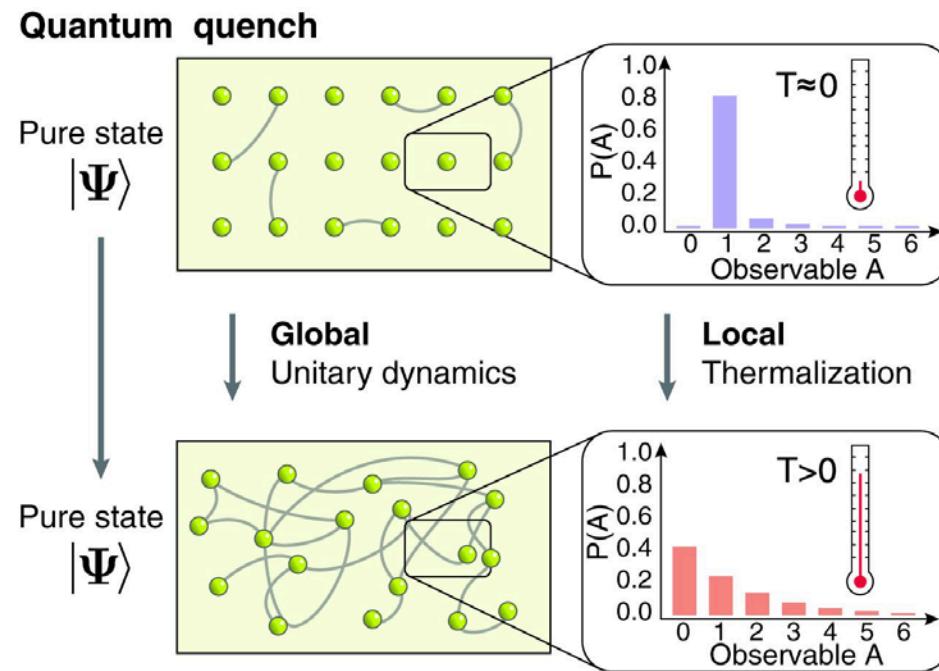


Colored dots correspond to
the domain statistics shown
before

Quantum many-body chaos? Thermalization?



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M. Garttner, et al., Nat. Phys. 13, 781-785 (2017)



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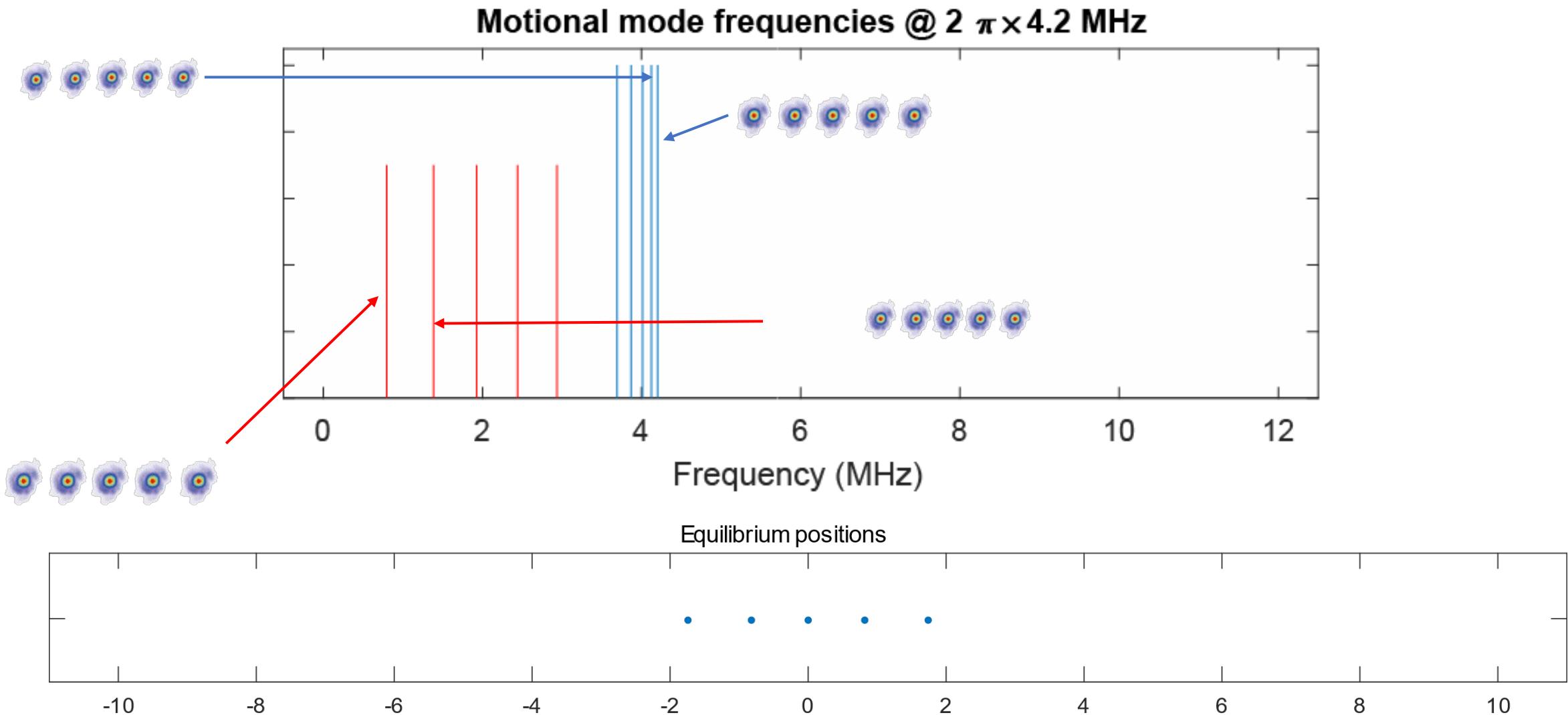
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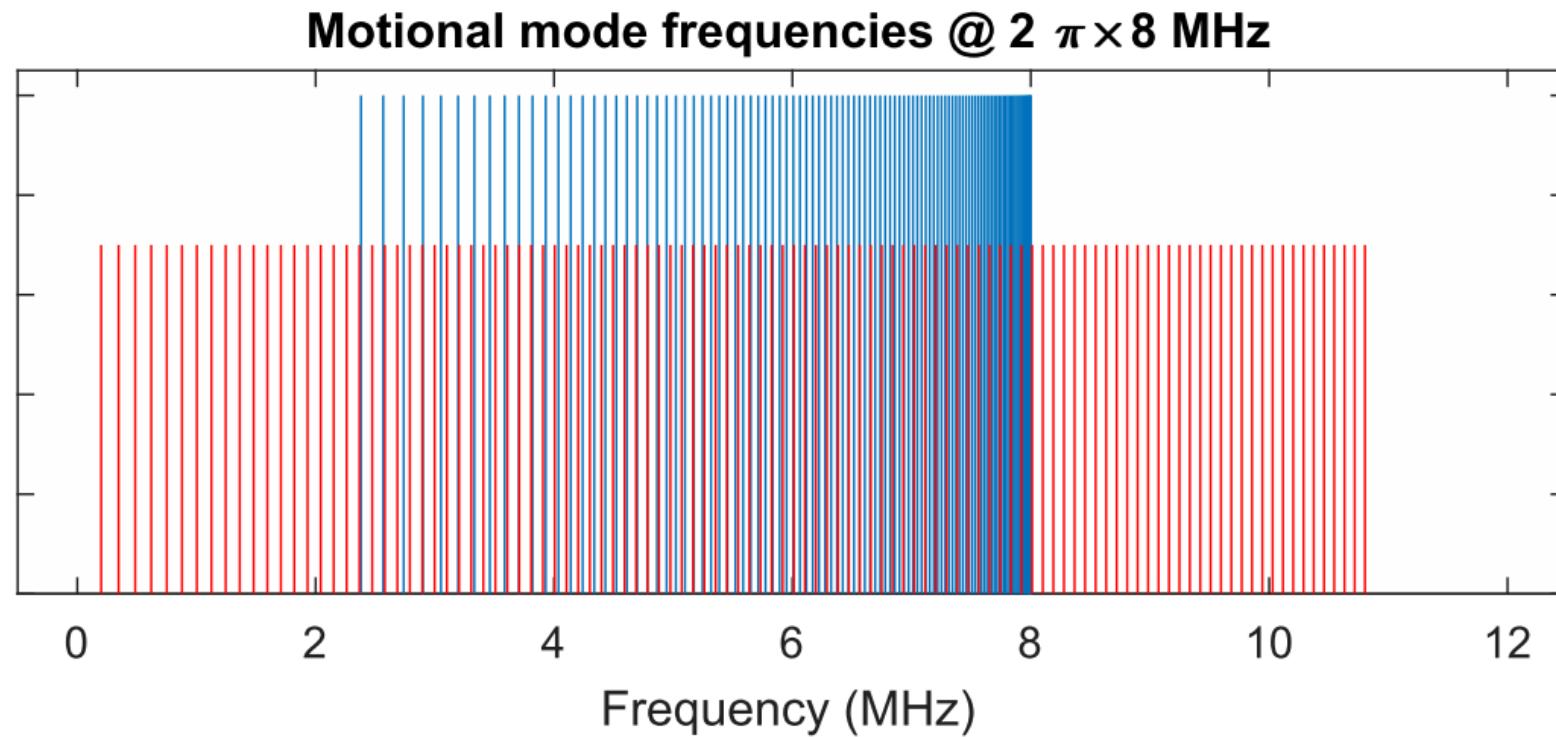


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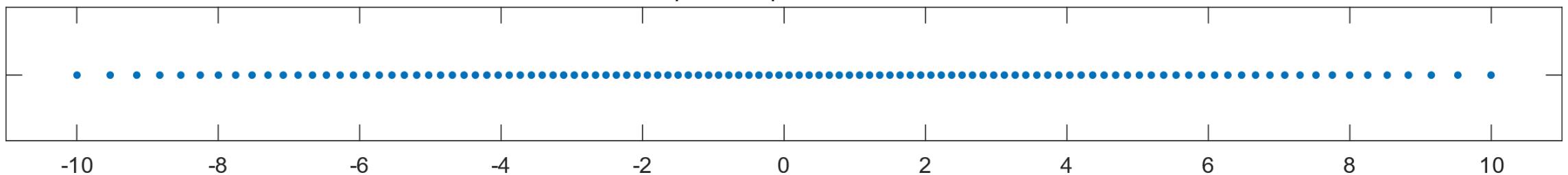
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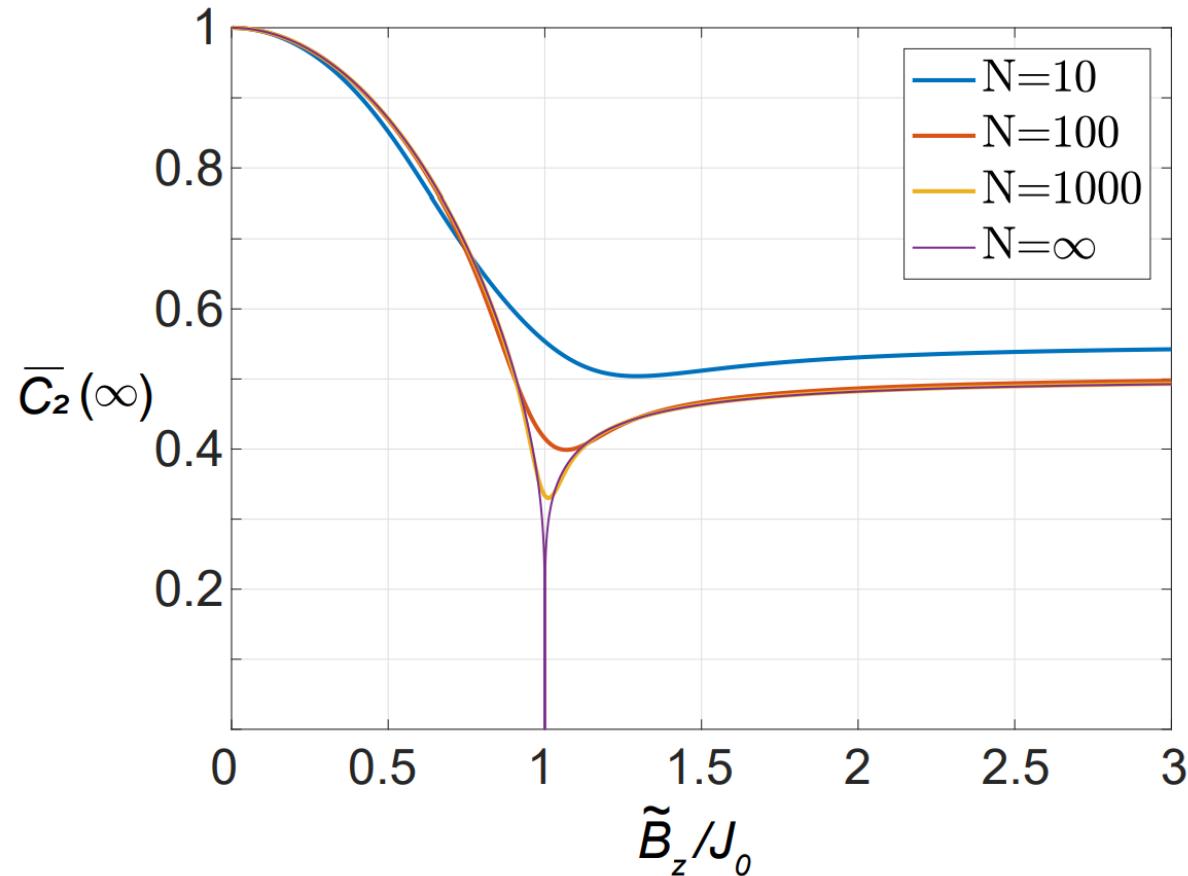
Motional mode spectrum for 100 ions



Equilibrium positions



Theory at the all-to-all limit ($\alpha = 0$)



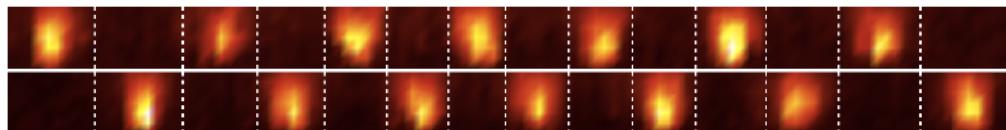
- Special point where a permutation symmetry exist, i.e. all spins are interchangeable.
- Phase transition manifested in logarithmic “dip” in the second order correlation.
- $\alpha \neq 0$ remains an open question.

Spin detection: High-resolution fluorescence imaging



- Ion positions are determined by illuminating the chain for less than 20 ms.
- State of ***each spin*** is then measured in 300 μ s detection time
- *All many-body correlations available in a single shot*

eg: AFM ordering of 14 spins



R. Islam, et al., Science 340, 583 (2013)

Formation probabilities for 16 spins

